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Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-11 (Canceled).

12. (Currently amended): A method for inducing a protective immune response against Salmonella <u>enterica in an</u> animal, comprising administering an effective amount of vaccine comprising a live attenuated Salmonella <u>enterica</u> bacterium, said <u>Salmonella</u> bacterium not having a functional tRNA₅^{leu}, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 13 (Cancelled).